

# CHARITON COURIER.

KEYTESVILLE, MO.

FRIDAY, MAY 23, 1884.

THE machinery for Timothy Collins' coal mine has arrived at Moberly, Mo. Tim says he will be in operation by the first of June.

JUDGE BASHAW has commenced making out-door speeches in his canvass for Governor. Come up this way, Judge, and show cause why we should vote for you.

THE Democratic primaries in Cooper county resulted in the nomination of E. F. Arnold for the Legislature, J. F. Rodgers for Treasurer, and Louis L. Williams for Sheriff.

Holt County (Mo.) Sentinel: We regret to learn that a peculiar and fatal disease has made its appearance among the cattle owned by Mr. Dan Hulatt, in the Culp neighborhood. Mr. Hulatt seems to think the disease is what is known as the "dry murrain," but in some particular it is unlike this disease. Mr. Hulatt has lost several head during the last two weeks. The disease makes its appearance with frothing at the mouth and rolling of the tongue and loss of appetite. They remain sick from four to six days, when death occurs.

There is a funny side to the financial troubles that have been shaking the country lately. The anxiety of the Republican papers to kick poor old Sabin out of the national committee, now that he has lost all his money, gives a touch of humor to the situation. As long as he was a man of millions they were quite well satisfied with their Minnesota chairman. They knew what he was there for. Now they are hardly content to wait for him to retire in the due course of affairs, through the appointment of a new committee by the convention so near at hand. Sabin, the pauper, has no excuse for being at the head of the committee, and there is a loud call for his resignation.—Republican.

Cyrus W. Fields' Views.

Cyrus W. Fields says in the New York Mail and Express:

"Prices are now so low no further decline ought to happen in any really good stock, and the country has every reason to expect a prosperous year. Crop prospects are excellent, there is no more depression in general trade than would naturally be expected from a heavy decline in stocks, and I see no reason why there should not be a great business revival the coming season."

"What, in your opinion, has brought the crash in Wall Street?"

"Reckless speculation and speculation by men who have no right to speculate—officers of banks, presidents of railroads and other important companies. The practices which have brought disaster to three of our national banks ought to be strictly prohibited, and institutions which make a business of loaning money ought not to be in the market as borrowers. It is not safe to permit officers of banks, trust companies and other institutions which have large sums of money to loan to speculate, and be borrowers of money for themselves or for their friends for large outside operations. The whole community may be made suffer by the results of such practice."

It is a great pity for these United States that some man connected with one or the other branches of our national legislature could not formulate some method acceptable to his colleagues to dispose of the rapidly accumulating money in the United States Treasury. Much time has been wasted in talk, a large amount has been expended in salaries, &c., with comparatively little done in the way of making laws. The tariff question, looking to a reduction of the revenue, consumed much time. The Morrison bill was defeated, and there is but little prospect that there will be any acceptable measure proposed during this session of Congress. Hence there will be no material reduction of the revenue for some time yet to come. To get rid of the surplus on hand, all sorts of schemes have been proposed; \$70,000,000 have been voted to the public school fund. Another scheme was to pension almost everybody that had ever been in the service of the United States; another scheme was to spend much of this surplus in building ships, war vessels, &c. All of these things may be commendable, in a measure, but we doubt whether any of them, if carried out, would prove as acceptable as using this surplus to pay the national debt. If the money has come faster than it is wanted to meet our liabilities, then modify the contract so that the debt may be paid, as we have the money to pay with. What would be thought of the financial abilities of an individual who has \$10,000 in his pocket and keeps it there, while he is paying interest on \$50,000? Every sane man would advise him to use the \$10,000 in liquidating the debt, and thus stop that much of the interest. It may be said that you can only pay in accordance with the contract, hence you will not be able to stop interest by paying off the principal before it becomes due; then we may change the contract. If so, the public debt will be paid too soon, and you will lose your national banks. Well, let them go; they will have served their day when the debt is paid, and we believe the country the better.

## Bonds Retired.

The County Court has issued its call to persons holding Chariton county compromise bonds of the denomination of \$1,000, dated July 1, 1879, numbering from one to twenty inclusive, to present them at the Laelade bank, St. Louis, where funds have been deposited for their payment, both principal and interest. The interest to cease after July 1.

The panic is over and Wall street returns to its normal occupation of stock gambling. When the Wall street broker reads that the panic has been a terrible warning against gambling he smiles inwardly and winks visibly.—Post-Dispatch.

The report of the general conference of the Methodist church is against the expediency of licensing women to preach.

## School Fund Distribution.

The following is the annual distribution (by townships) of the school fund of Chariton county, for 1884:

BEE BRANCH.	
1-56-16	\$191 49
2-56-16	162 63
1-55-17	173 36
2-56-17	91 97
3-56-17	102 66
4-56-17	164 64
5-56-17	106 93
Total	\$995 68
BOWLING GREEN.	
5-53-18	\$160 74
6-53-18	130 90
1-53-19	345 67
3-53-19	187 22
Total	\$824 51
BRUNSWICK.	
2-53-19	\$184 81
4-53-19	112 22
1-54-19	88 70
4-54-19	128 10
5-54-19	128 10
6-54-19	110 01
7-54-19	96 10
1-54-20	159 30
2-54-20	195 74
3-54-20	122 87
4-54-20	131 05
7-54-20-21	186 65
2-53-20	114 38
Total	\$1,749 03
COCKRELL.	
1-55-17	\$170 80
2-55-17	156 16
3-55-17	136 62
4-55-17	185 46
5-55-17	126 84
6-55-17	70 67
8-55-17	102 42
Total	\$948 97
CHARITON.	
1-51-17	\$105 68
1-52-17	35 13
3-52-17	201 45
2-53-17	253 71
4-52-17-18	329 91
Total	\$925 88
CLARK.	
1-55-18	\$119 70
3-55-18	119 70
4-55-18	174 97
5-55-18	163 46
6-55-18	117 41
7-55-18	121 93
8-55-18	115 13
9-55-18	78 26
Total	\$1,010 55
CUNNINGHAM.	
1-56-20	\$123 77
2-56-20	130 92
3-56-20	130 92
1-56-21	59 45
2-56-21	97 40
3-56-21	508 45
Total	\$1,050 91
KEYTESVILLE.	
1-53-54-18	\$1,039 06
2-53-18-17	292 42
3-53-18	183 91
4-53-18	137 79
2-54-18	267 15
3-54-18	237 45
4-54-18	189 92
5-54-18	185 90
6-54-18-17	148 52
7-54-18	75 26
2-54-19	280 78
3-54-19	162 58
Total	\$3,110 44
MUSCLE FORK.	
1-55-18	\$138 30
2-55-18	213 06
3-55-18	201 55
4-55-18	159 28
5-55-18	89 01
6-55-18	105 41
Total	\$906 31
MENDON.	
1-55-20	\$116 47
2-55-20	293 51
3-55-20	159 05
Total	\$569 03
MISSOURI.	
2-51-52-18	\$361 66
3-52-18	200 08
3-52-19-18	325 40
Total	\$887 14
SALISBURY.	
3-52-16	\$53 11
1-53-16	247 59
2-53-16	132 81
3-53-16	58 56
7-53-16-17	143 49
2-54-16	162 83
3-54-16	144 54
1-53-17	106 95
2-53-17	186 63
3-53-17	94 36
6-53-17	132 09
1-54-17	181 86
4-54-17	96 06
5-54-17	223 38
Total	\$1,963 76
SALT CREEK.	
1-55-19	\$166 54
2-55-19	107 17
3-55-19	104 89
4-55-19	221 29
5-55-19	109 37
6-55-19	134 50
Total	\$843 76
TRIPLETT.	
3-54-20	\$314 05
4-54-20	134 26
1-54-21	149 59
2-54-21	183 93

1-55-21 81 64

Total \$860 47

WAYLAND.

1-54-16 \$128 44  
4-54-16 32 19  
3-55-16 181 64  
4-55-16 73 99  
2-44-17 201 45  
7-55-17 129 29

Total \$747 00

YELLOW CREEK.

1-56-19 \$138 18  
2-56-19 111 68  
3-56-19 138 17  
4-56-19 148 76  
5-16-19 119 56  
6-59-19-18 128 41  
4-56-20 81 02  
6-56-20 119 03

Total \$948 80

Salisbury village school. 855 57

Brunswick village school. 1,458 24

To Randolph Co. 129 21

To Howard Co. 40 62

To Livingston Co. 28 32

Grand total \$20,854 16

\*Paid to township trustee.

## SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

BY A. W. JOHNSON.

Mr. Johnson is authorized to receive and accept for subscriptions, and any advertisements handed to him will receive our prompt attention.

—George Voltenbury, a stone-cutter and an exemplary young man, died at the residence of his sister, Mrs. Walters, in this place on Saturday last. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ramsey, after which the remains were laid to rest in the cemetery. This young man was a victim of consumption, and while looking death in the face was calm and undisturbed, bearing his suffering with great fortitude. His devoted sister nursed him to the last, and when death claimed him from her her grief knew no bounds. She has the sympathy of the entire city.

—Our old friend Urban E. Quirey has accepted an agency for the Stark Nursery, of Louisiana, Mo., and will canvass this county. We have known Mr. Quirey a number of years, and those wanting anything in his line can trust him with their orders, with a full assurance that all stock will be just as represented.

—Owing to the death of his employer, Captain Fridley will lose his position in Hutchinson's tin shop, and will move to Kirksville. We hate to lose him.

—Mrs. L. B. Coates was called to Liberty last week by a telegram stating that her mother was dead.

—Jasper Adams, while handling an old pistol last Sunday night, accidentally shot himself through the hand. The wound is a painful one, as some of the meta canal bones are shattered. We hope that Jasper will throw this pistol away and never have another. Other boys would do well to take warning also. In this day of civilization there is no need for pistols, and nobody but civil officers should carry them.

—Prof. L. B. Coates left for Kansas City on Monday, where he will visit the public schools. He will return the last of the week.

—We hear lots of men talking about Bashaw, and it would not surprise us to see the "tall oak" come in ahead of all competition. Barkis is within!

—On all sides we see evidences of improvement. This is right, and we want the good work to go on.

—W. H. Bradley, of Bynumville, was in the city last week. He thinks of taking in a partner this fall. We are glad to hear that his prospects are bright.

—Mrs. E. J. Walters, a sister of young Voltenbury, whose death is mentioned in these items, has been in a critical condition since the death of her brother, and her recovery is a matter of doubt.

—Dr. Clements and C. M. Ramsey went fishing one day this week, and caught a fine chance of minnows. We presume they disposed of them to their fishermen to be used for bait.

## Brunswick Bottom.

—Please permit me through your columns to address the people of Dalton and Bowling Green parishes: In 1873, and again in 1877, the business men of Brunswick, by subscription of money and labor, aided liberally in the erection of a levee, one mile in length, on the site of a public road that leads from Brunswick to Nil Landing. A number of farmers in the Brunswick Bottom also subscribed, although their lands were not protected by the levee. As the levee, when completed, would afford an improved road-bed over which they could reach town. The Brunswick contributors expected to reap their return of the investment in the increase of trade that would come to them through better roads, as well as through the prosperity of those whose lands were to be reclaimed. The county court in 1874 expended \$100 on the same public work at the quay across Fossen's slough, where a \$700 bridge would have been needed had the levee not been a more economic substitute. The grading was completed in 1878. Public road work was annually, for fifteen years, to some extent, put on the levee up to this year. The total cost of the levee to date is about \$2,000; and \$500 worth of road work should yet be spent by placing a thick layer of sand over the whole length, and the road will be nearly equal to a macadamized one a mile in length. Other parts of the road were improved by public work only. Our road this spring

has been in excellent condition up to last week, when it became soft by the unusually wet weather. Nevertheless, it was sufficiently good even then to enable me to drive in a buggy seven miles in an hour and a half without heating the nag. Let the business men of Dalton answer to themselves the question as to how much trade they get from the Brunswick Bottom, and if it is as meager as some believe it to be; then what is the cause? Some farms are nearer to Dalton than to Brunswick. Why did the Brunswick Bottom farmers sell no wheat in 1883 to the Dalton dealers, although prices were higher in Dalton than in Brunswick? It was because fifty bushels to the load could be hauled over the levee road, and about one-half that much over the Dalton b. b. road. Let the people of Dalton follow the example of their Brunswick neighbors; hold a meeting, raise funds, put into office a competent overseer in the district southwest of town, grade a passable road as far as the township line, and the farmers of the Brunswick Bottom will finish the already partly graded part of the road in Brunswick township.

## From Lagonda.

—Rural correspondents seems to have retired from the field of late.

—It is surely a good time for Bee Branch on the puzzle to be heard from. Your correspondent is happy that "all is quiet on the puzzle," and a proclamation of peace would be in order.

—Farm work is the order of the day, and is in a prosperous condition. Wheat and oats show favorably for a full crop.

—Fruit will be in an abundance, except peaches.

—A marked improvement is noted in this and other parts of the country in the many improvements going on in the way of building and repairing.

—John S. Howard, late a merchant of this place, has sold his property to J. Hall, of Macon county, and has bought the well known James farm in 8-56-16, and we presume he is going into the stock business. Mr. Hall has made his debut as a country merchant.

—We would say to the contractors of the Chariton river bridge, hurry it up, as it will cause our mail to come to us two hours ahead of the present time, but saving about ten miles of travel.

## PUZZLE RIDGE.

A VERY remarkable heavy hail storm has destroyed large quantities of wheat, corn, cotton and oats in the neighborhood of McKinney and Bonham, Texas.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

James A. Smith to L. Benecke, nw 24-52-20; \$100.

H. and St. Jo R R to Jeff Morrow, nw 27-56-18; \$384.

Rhoda Road and husband quitclaim to R. Clark, tract in 29-56-16; \$100.

J. W. Reffet et al quitclaim to J. H. Perrin, ne nw, w h nw nw, se nw nw and n h sw nw, all in 29-56-16; \$100.

Louisa Phelps to Albert Smith, n w se 34-53-18; \$400.

C. B. & W. B. Douglas to Albert Griffin, n w frac 10-53-20 and nw frac 3-53-20, except 20 acres and right of way to railroad; \$4,000.

Hiram Epperly quitclaim to R. Clark, in 29-56-16; \$25 75.

Elias Elliot, guardian, to Albert Smith, nw se 34-53-18; \$164.

L. M. Applegate to J. R. Haines, in 9-53-18; \$10.

Henry Ingarten quitclaim to heirs of Karston Kathe, in 12 and 13-52-18; \$1.

Sheriff to Toomas Tudor, 50 acres in w pt nw 23-53-17; \$1,200.

E. Ebert to J. S. Vandeventer, lot 14, block 31, in Salisbury; \$1,750.

C. J. Via, adm. to Wm J. Parks, s h nw se 3-52-18; \$58.

I. N. Bailey to Geo. Long, nw se 27-56-17; \$350.

S. A. Hutchinson to E. W. & E. G. Samuel, lots 1 and 2, block 1, Hutchinson's addition to Salisbury; \$300.

W. R. Million and wife to W. L. McCampbell, undivided half ne and e h lot 1 nw 4-55-19, s h n h nw and s h nw and sw se 33-56-19; \$4,150.

C. R. Mason to W. Woodward, nw n e 24-53-20; \$1,750.

H. and St. Jo R R to John Roan, n w se 21-55-17; \$280.

Wm Robertson to Charles R. Mason, nw ne 24-53-20; \$150.

Charles Stewart to W. H. Mitchell, nw 30-56-20; \$1,000.

S. W. Kaye quitclaim to Wm Fulbright, n h sw 15-56-20; \$1.

F. F. Welch et al quitclaim to Thos Welch, s h se 24 and n h nw 25 all in 55-18; \$2,000.

H. and St. Jo R R to Felix Day, sw nw 31-56-16; \$254 20.

I. M. Porterfield to G. A. Mackay, n e 18 and nw 12 all in 54-18; \$750.

A. Mackay jr quitclaim to J. H. Lann, sw se 12-56-18; \$1.

We make our own harness, and warrant them to do as represented. We sell cheap, and are bound to give satisfaction. Call and examine our stock and prices before purchasing elsewhere. ELLIOTT & COLLINS.

JOHN M. ANDERSON, of Long's Mill, has kindly furnished us, for publication, a descriptive letter of the Whale river country of Colorado, written by J. W. Furrow, a former resident of Chariton county, a son of Calvin Furrow, living in the neighborhood of Bell's school-house. The letter is very interesting, but is too long for our columns. At some future time we may publish some extracts therefrom.

The Missouri Association of Surveyors and Civil Engineers have a meeting at Columbia on the 3d prox. Our County Surveyor, S. J. Carter, is an honored member of the association, and is appointed to read a paper on "Relocating United States Corners by Testimony." Mr. Carter is held in high esteem by the association. Prof. Lowry, of the State University, says that Mr. Carter is one of the best posted surveyors in the State.

A JOINT session of the Boards of Brunswick and Keytesville Townships was held in this place on last Tuesday. The members of the Board of Brunswick Township were John Knappenger, trustee, L. B. Wernick and W. B. Bruce, justices of the peace, and Raymond Edwards, clerk. From Keytesville Township were L. M. Applegate, trustee, A. Mann and H. A. Wheeler, justices of the peace, and S. P. Ewing, clerk. The object of the session was to consider the opening of a public road on the dividing line between Keytesville and Brunswick Townships. A survey of the road was ordered, at the cost of the petitioners, when sufficient funds were deposited to cover costs. The meeting then adjourned to meet in Brunswick, Monday, June 23, 1884.

ELDER McCUNE, of the Forks, was in the capital last Tuesday, and made us a pleasant call. Uncle Johnnie has some fine pigs of the black Berkshire variety, one of which he sold to our fellow-townsmen, D. B. Kellogg. It is of the stock raised by John Hendrix, of Randolph county, who is one of the most successful hog raisers in the State. The price paid by Mr. Kellogg for his pig is \$20, and it is said to be one of the finest in the county. Brother McCune, though a resident of Chariton county for over a year, still preaches for his old neighbors in Randolph. He went over there last Saturday to meet his Sunday appointment. He tells us that he never saw a harder rain fall than fell in the neighborhood of Rennie last Saturday night. The farmers there are very backward with their farming operations, and their flat prairies are covered with water.

WHILE at Moberly last Saturday we had the pleasure of meeting Messrs. Fort & Wayland, proprietors of the hay rake factory at that place. We also visited their factory, where about fifty hands were at work. The late fire consumed a vast amount of material, the loss of which has made lively times about the factory since. In order to fill orders in time an increase of force and double run was necessary. With the usual placid smile Henry informed us that everybody should have a rake who desired one, that all their orders would be filled, and that aside from the worry there would not be a very heavy loss to the firm, as they were insured for about three-fourths of value. In addition to castings for their rakes the foundry is doing considerable work in the way of furnishing building material—such as iron columns, posts, pillars, &c. Our old friend and neighbor, F. B. Thomas, notwithstanding his late misfortune in the loss of his left arm, was found on duty in the factory, and seemed to be bearing up under his sad loss with manly courage.

We have received a well written report of the proceedings of the National Greenback Committee of Chariton county, held at Pee Dee on the 17th inst. We have not room for the entire report this week, but will mention the chief items, and give place for their dozen resolutions next week. A. S. Pond presided at the meeting aforesaid, and A. C. Yocum was secretary. A motion prevailed appointing a committee of organization, one member from each township, with power to choose assistants. The following named gentlemen were appointed said committee:

Bee Branch—W. H. Bradley. Brunswick—David Longsdorf. Clark—Francis Clark. Cockrell—Richard Westcott. Cunningham—A. Johnson. Muscle Fork—Marion Welch. Keytesville—Wm. Dawkins. Salisbury—I. H. Fleet. Salt Creek—James Sanders. Triplett—J. E. M. Triplett. Wayland—S. S. London. Yellow Creek—Noah Dean.

Samuel Elliott was chosen a delegate to the Greenback Congressional Convention to be held at Chillicothe on May 21, and L. Wisdom alternate. A motion was made to hold a mass convention at Pee Dee on the second Saturday in August to nominate candidates for county officers, but our reporter does not say whether the motion prevailed. Then follows the resolutions, which we will publish next week.

FRED, VEATCH made a flying trip to St. Louis last Monday. We wonder if he stopped off at St. Charles?

Dns. George M. Dawey and C. T. Holland left last Monday for Seallia to attend the meeting of the State Medical Association, which convened at that place on the 21st of this month.

ELMER ISHAM, a Keytesville coon of eighteen or twenty summers' growth, became desirous of getting bread by a shorter and more pleasant route than "eating it in the sweat of his face." He represented himself as being sent by Mr. Singleton, one of our energetic business men, to buy bread, which